

I don't see our colleague Senator KING of Maine yet, but he oftentimes speaks to the fact that what Senator ALEXANDER and Senator PORTMAN describe in our deferred maintenance is truly debt. Deferred maintenance is debt, and we are going to take responsibility for that and really treat our parks the way they deserve and work to extend the Land and Water Conservation Fund at the same time.

Mr. Chair, with that I think I will give back the rest of our time, and I want to thank all of my colleagues for joining me in the colloquy.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Senator from Louisiana.

Mr. CASSIDY. We have a few minutes left to go. I didn't realize the colloquy was going on. I would like to give an opposing viewpoint.

In this legislation, we put parks over people. We spend billions of dollars taking care of parks and don't spend a dime taking care of those folks who live in those parishes and counties next to a coastline. It turns out that 42 percent of Americans live in a parish or county next to a coastline, and if you haven't noticed, we increasingly have flood events. We increasingly have spent billions of dollars rescuing people from floods, repairing their homes afterwards, and trying to make them whole.

Now, we could have put legislation in this legislation that would allow those people's needs to be met, but we are putting parks before people, and that is a tragedy. We are going to spend billions on places where we go on vacation, but we will not spend a dime where we live—where we live—where we raise our children, where we help other people make a living.

In this—particularly since we know that sea levels are rising—we are going to increasingly have these events. We are, if you will, being—I don't know how to put it—blind to the reality that is before us.

And someone mentioned outhouses on top of a sinkhole—what a tragedy. Do you know what really a tragedy is? When someone—no, when many people—when whole swaths of a city are flooded out—that is a tragedy.

And we are out of time, but I will finish by this: I will feel a lot better about this Senate at the point in which we begin to put people over parks and spend at least something where people live as opposed to where people vacation—not to take any money away from the parks but to just put some money to where people live.

I yield the floor.

CLOTURE MOTION

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. PERDUE). Pursuant to rule XXII, the Chair lays before the Senate the pending cloture motion, which the clerk will state.

The legislative clerk read as follows:

CLOTURE MOTION

We, the undersigned Senators, in accordance with the provisions of rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, do hereby

move to bring to a close debate on amendment No. 1617 to Calendar Number 75, H.R. 1957, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to modernize and improve the Internal Revenue Service, and for other purposes.

Mitch McConnell, John Hoeven, John Thune, Cory Gardner, Pat Roberts, Lindsey Graham, Susan M. Collins, John Boozman, Kevin Cramer, Thom Tillis, Rob Portman, Roy Blunt, Lamar Alexander, Todd Young, Steve Daines, Shelley Moore Capito, David Perdue.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. By unanimous consent, the mandatory quorum call has been waived.

The question is, Is it the sense of the Senate that debate on amendment No. 1617, offered by the Senator from Kentucky, Mr. MCCONNELL, to H.R. 1957, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to modernize and improve the Internal Revenue Service, and for other purposes, shall be brought to a close?

The yeas and nays are mandatory under the rule.

The clerk will call the roll.

The legislative clerk called the roll.

Mr. THUNE. The following Senators are necessarily absent: the Senator from Tennessee (Mrs. BLACKBURN), the Senator from Indiana (Mr. BRAUN), the Senator from North Carolina (Mr. BURR), the Senator from Texas (Mr. CORNYN), the Senator from Mississippi (Mrs. HYDE-SMITH), the Senator from Oklahoma (Mr. INHOFE), the Senator from Arizona (Ms. MCSALLY), the Senator from Kansas (Mr. MORAN), the Senator from Nebraska (Mr. SASSE), and the Senator from Alabama (Mr. SHELBY).

Mr. SCHUMER. I announce that the Senator from Illinois (Mr. DURBIN), the Senator from Alabama (Mr. JONES), the Senator from Massachusetts (Mr. MARKEY), the Senator from New Jersey (Mr. MENENDEZ), the Senator from Arizona (Ms. SINEMA), and the Senator from Rhode Island (Mr. WHITEHOUSE) are necessarily absent.

The yeas and nays resulted—yeas 65, nays 19, as follows:

[Rollcall Vote No. 117 Leg.]

YEAS—65

Alexander	Gardner	Roberts
Baldwin	Gillibrand	Rosen
Bennet	Graham	Rubio
Blumenthal	Harris	Sanders
Blunt	Hassan	Schatz
Booker	Heinrich	Schumer
Boozman	Hirono	Scott (FL)
Brown	Hoeven	Scott (SC)
Cantwell	Kaine	Shaheen
Capito	King	Smith
Cardin	Klobuchar	Stabenow
Carper	Leahy	Tester
Casey	Loeffler	Thune
Collins	Manchin	Tillis
Coons	McConnell	Udall
Cortez Masto	Merkley	Van Hollen
Cotton	Murphy	Warner
Cramer	Murray	Warren
Daines	Perdue	Wicker
Duckworth	Peters	Wyden
Feinstein	Portman	Young
Fischer	Reed	

NAYS—19

Barrasso	Enzi	Johnson
Cassidy	Ernst	Kennedy
Crapo	Grassley	Lankford
Cruz	Hawley	Lee

Murkowski	Romney	Toomey
Paul	Rounds	
Risch	Sullivan	

NOT VOTING—16

Blackburn	Inhofe	Sasse
Braun	Jones	Shelby
Burr	Markey	Sinema
Cornyn	McSally	Whitehouse
Durbin	Menendez	
Hyde-Smith	Moran	

The PRESIDING OFFICER. On this vote, the yeas are 65, and the nays are 19.

Three-fifths of the Senators being duly chosen and sworn having voted in the affirmative, the motion is agreed to.

MORNING BUSINESS

ADDITIONAL STATEMENTS

TRIBUTE TO AUBREE ROOT

• Mr. DAINES. Mr. President, this week I have the honor of recognizing Aubree Root of Richland County for her academic achievements and desire to give back to her community.

Aubree is a graduate of Fairview High School and plans to attend Minot State University to study psychology and art in the fall. She has a desire to use her education to eventually work with children who have experienced trauma once she graduates from college.

Aubree was awarded a scholarship by the ROI Foundation. The ROI Foundation selects a Richland County graduating senior every year who plans to pursue a career in the field of special education, psychology, or any related field having to do with human services. Scholarship recipients are selected based on their academic standing, their involvement in the community, and their desire to work with those with intellectual, physical, mental, or emotional disabilities.

It is my honor to recognize Aubree for receiving this distinguished scholarship. Her selfless desire to receive an education in order to support those in challenging situations exemplifies the Montana spirit of serving others. I look forward to following Aubree's future accomplishments, and I congratulate her for receiving this honor.●

REMEMBERING TOM JOHNSON

• Ms. KLOBUCHAR. Mr. President, today I rise to honor and pay tribute to my friend, neighbor, and mentor Tom Johnson, who passed away on June 8, 2020, after a 6-year fight with cancer.

Tom served as the Hennepin County attorney for 12 years, and after I took over as county attorney years later, I would often turn to him for advice. Tom was always willing to help and to offer his wisdom, humor, and always patient kindness.

It is only fitting that Tom was working up until his final days as to how to improve the lives of others by proposing ideas on criminal justice reform. In fact, just 1 week before he